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5 In re application of: Barbut et al. )  
Application No.: 10/619,760 )  
Filing Date: July 14, 2003 )  
10 For: AORTIC OCCLUDER WITH ASSOCIATED )  
FILTER AND METHODS OF USE DURING )  
CARDIAC SURGERY )

Group Art Unit: 3763  
Examiner: Unknown

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Prior to examination of the above-referenced application, please enter the following changes.

25 Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.